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In re Patent Application of

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For: CONTROL OF SELECTIVE ESTROGEN RECEPTOR MODULATORS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

This is a response to the Office Action mailed June 6, 2001 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

No additional fee is required.

If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

In the event any fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the underpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.